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Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge Brigham City, UT General Bird Survey March 26, 2013

Volunteer Brian Ferguson and Refuge Biologist Howard Browers conducted a general bird survey (non-waterbird) on the refuge on March 26, 2013, recording 16 species. The refuge is now 99% free of ice and snow. Spring breeding species continue to arrive and are beginning nesting activities while a few individuals of wintering species such as bald eagle and rough-legged hawk still linger. The highlight of the survey was a very early sage thrasher.

Ring-necked pheasant	10
Black-billed magpie	1
Common raven	3
Horned lark	2
Marsh wren	46
Sage thrasher	1
Savannah sparrow	2
Song sparrow	14
Red-winged blackbird	594
Western meadowlark	7
Yellow-headed blackbird	96
House sparrow	1
Bald eagle	1
Northern harrier	8
Red-tailed hawk	1
Rough-legged hawk	4

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